

SCOTTSDALE PATH & TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT



To: Path and Trails Subcommittee
From: Susan Conklu, Senior Transportation Planner
Subject: Federal Grant Applications
Meeting Date: October 8, 2019

Action: Information and discussion

Purpose:
Provide update on federal grant applications.

Information:

On August 1, 2019 the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) announced a Call for Projects for Federal Highway Administration sub allocated funding allocated as:

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)
- Transportation Alternatives (TA-MAG)

Total funding available for this announcement for Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects is estimated at \$21.25 million. All the funding is for a reimbursement and requires a 5.7% local match. Many projects that are approved for construction funding are also eligible for MAG Closeout Funds, when available. Closeout Funds are used for design and also require a 5.7% local match.

In the past the City of Scottsdale has successfully obtained funding from previous Calls for Projects including:

- Arizona Canal from 60th Street to Goldwater Boulevard (completed)
- Arizona Canal from Chaparral to Indian Bend Wash (completed)
- Shea Underpass and Path Connections (upcoming construction to reconstruct gabion walls)
- WestWorld Path and Trail Connections (design completed; federal funds cancelled due to easement issues)
- McDowell Road Bike Lanes (design complete, construction to begin in spring 2020)
- Chaparral / Hayden Underpass (design kick-off 10/22/19)
- Osborn Complete Street from Hayden to Scottsdale (30% design)
- Thomas Road Complete Street from 73rd Street to 56th Street (Statements of Qualifications for design consultants due 10/25/19)
- 68th Street Complete Street from Indian School Road to Thomas Road Statements of Qualifications for design consultants due 10/25/19)

On September 16, 2019 Transportation staff submitted several projects for the current Call for Projects for Fiscal Year(s) 2023 and 2024:

Location:	Total Cost:	Funding Type:
Shea Boulevard Path from 142 nd Street to Eagle Mountain Parkway (with Town of Fountain Hills)	\$4.3M	CMAQ/TA
Indian Bend Wash Path Extension from Thompson Peak Parkway to Bell Road (formerly part of WestWorld Path & Trail)	\$3.8M	CMAQ/TA
Indian Bend Wash Bridge Replacement at Osborn Road	\$4.8M	CMAQ/TA
Goldwater Pedestrian & Bicycle Underpass at Scottsdale Road	\$3M	CMAQ/TA

MAG received twenty-seven (27) bicycle/pedestrian project requests, totaling more than \$54.7M in federal aid.

Next Steps:

All projects go through a detailed process for scoring, prioritizing, recommendation, and approval at MAG, including:

- October 14 & 15, 2019: Active Transportation Committee will review applications, agency presentations, and committee scoring. Comments will be forwarded to Air Quality Staff.
- October 17, 2019: Active Transportation Committee members' final scores due to MAG staff.
- December 5, 2019: Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee will recommend air quality evaluations of projects.
- January 21, 2020: Active Transportation Committee will review scores and recommend priority listings of CMAQ and TA funded projects.
- January 30, 2020: Transportation Review Committee (TRC) will review the prioritized listing and recommend programming of projects.
- February 12, 2020: Management Committee will review the prioritized listing and approve proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) listings.
- February 26, 2020: Regional Council will make final approval of the prioritized listings and recommend proposed TIP listings.

If any of the Scottsdale projects are approved for federal funding, City Council will then approve acceptance of the grants. The projects will then be added to the city's Capital Improvement Program for their appropriate years of design and construction.

Additionally, Transportation staff successfully applied for other federal funding July 12, 2019 for two projects. There is no local match requirement as the project is fully funded by MAG and uses MAG's approved on-call design consultants.

- 70th Street Neighborhood Bikeway from Continental to Old Town - Design Assistance project to complete a Project Assessment and 15% design in 2020.
- Old Town Scottsdale Bicycle Master Plan – Planning Assistance project in 2020.

Both projects will include public outreach throughout the year and will kick-off around mid-November 2019.